# *Executive Proclamation*
## *State of South Dakota*
## *Office of the Governor*

***Whereas***, The American Occupational Therapy Association has declared the month of April 2005, to be known as Occupational Therapy Month; and,

***Whereas***, The profession of occupational therapy makes valuable contributions in helping persons master the "skills for the job of living" after an illness or injury; and,

***Whereas***, The services of occupational therapy are available to citizens of South Dakota in various facilities throughout the state; and,

***Whereas***, The health and productivity of our citizens depend upon the effective use of health care resources, including the important services of occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds,*** Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 2005 as

*OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MONTH*

in South Dakota, and I call upon all citizens to recognize the achievements and contributions of these valued health professionals.

***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State